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OUR HOCKEYISTS AWAY

Reporters wax Eloquent when They Speak of The Boys.

The Winnipeg dailies vied with each other, both in space and in botanical language, in describing that match our boys played up there Tuesday night against the Victoria. The Telegram devoted over a column set in small type to the the game, and the Free Press gave about the same. Here is an extract from the Telegram.

"The visitors are a very busy crowd. Their forwards make the best intermediate line ever seen in the city. Hilliard was in no condition to play, as he had just got out of a sick bed and was not able to do himself justice, but the others were fast skaters and good shots, also they work together like machinery and and their efforts are of the kind which would keep any defence rustling. Phillips, who plays rover, is perhaps the star. He has speed to burn and shows splendid form. McGinnie at centre is very brilliant, and can stick to the puck like grim death. He puts in a good deal of his time in playing in his own position, which is quite a novelty in a centre player. Hooper on the right of the line is a most aggressive player and did considerable scoring. The defence was never pushed hard, and so had no opportunity of showing its true form. Dulmage in goal grappled successfully with all kinds of shots; Brown at point is quick to clear and Bellefuille at cover is a most aggressive player.

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ing out under the most favored auspices. Mr. Rich. Thompson, who has always been an energetic and prominent figure in Orange circles instituted the lodge and installed the officers. The county lodge takes in every Orange association from Fort William west in Ontario, including Fort Frances and Rainy River points. Following is a list of the officers: County Master, Rich. Thompson; Co. Deputy Master, Leith Myles; Co. Chaplain, Jos. Moore; Co. Secretary, C. W. Belyea; Co. Fin. Secretary, Robt. Neill; Co. Treas., Geo. Foster; Co. Director of Ceremonies, Samuel Monteith; Co. Lecturer, Arthur Woods; Dep. Co. Lecturers, P. Loonam and Wm. Whittaker.

SENIOR VICS DEFEAT THISTLES.

The Thistles received their first defeat to-night at the hands of the senior Victorias, the champions of Canada. The score, 3 to 1, would indicate that it was a hard fought battle, and had the Thistles been fresh they would no doubt have materially changed the score.

Cobb--Young.

On Wednesday evening Mr. Robert Henry Cobb and Miss Ellen Young were quietly married at the residence of the bride (Mr. D. W. Parson's) by the Rev. Robt. Nairn. Miss Myrtle Killam was bridesmaid, and Mr. John Wellington acted as best man to the groom. Mr. Cobb is a popular young railroader, and the bride is the daughter of Mr. D. Young, of Peterboro, but who was at one time in business here as the partner of Mr. Parsons. The happy couple have taken a suite of apartments in the Brydon-Robinson block, where they will reside permanently.

The Hospital Aid Carnival.

The Ladies Hospital Aid Society are very busy making preparations and all arrangements for their grand annual carnival, to be held at Victoria Rink on Thursday evening, January 16th. Timely notice is thus given that those who desire to take part may have ample time in which to prepare costumes. The ladies hope that all will join as heartily as in former years in making the carnival the spectacular event of the season and the financial success it deserves to be.

I.O.O.F. INSTALLATIONS.

Gold Hill Lodge, No. 23, I.O.O.F., held their semi-annual installation ceremony last night in their hall, Fort street. The installing officer was Bro.

DEEP LEVEL MINING

A Buffalo Gentleman Makes Some Enquiries on the Subject.

A gentleman writing from Buffalo wants to know if any of our mines are down below a depth of 30 feet and is anxious to get an idea of the amount sinking done in this district. Here are a few of the deepest mines at present operating: Mikado, 1,000 feet incline; 600 ft. vertical; Sultana 450 ft. vertical; Black Eagle 482; Golden Star 400; Elizabeth (Anglo-Canadian Gold Estates) 223; Sakoose 220.

There are a number of other mines whose depth does not exceed 150 feet, but where nevertheless much other development in crosscutting wide veins and drifting would show large working.

A gang of men were out on the Mill property, recently sold, to begin development work.

Two miners who arrived from the Black Eagle yesterday describe that mine as the richest now operating in the country. The 20 stamp mill is working night and day on valuable ore which ought to show big results at the first clean up.

Paul Parlson returned on Sunday morning from attending the meeting of stockholders of the Big Master Mine, held at Buffalo, N. Y., on Jan. 1. The meeting was very enthusiastic over the future prospects of the property and was entirely satisfied with the course the management had recently pursued.—Wahigoon Star.

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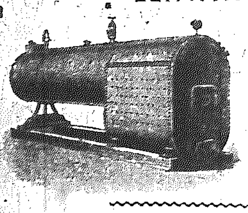

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The ore pile is accumulating rapidly, and is kept under lock and key, it being now estimated that there is enough ore ready for the stamps to pay the cost of mill. Crushing will not be commenced until spring, if present intentions are adhered to.—Industrial Review.

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MINING IN NOVA SCOTIA.

Halifax, N. S., —Mining is very active in the gold districts of Nova Scotia and many new and very rich discoveries have recently been made. New machinery is being installed in many of the old gold mines, so that a large increase in the output of gold may be looked for this year.

The indications are that Nova Scotia will soon rank as a large producer of copper. The Colonial Copper company of New York, has been for the past year and a half developing a property on the north shore of the Bay of Funday at a point called Cape D'Or, which from all appearences, will prove one of the big producers on the American Continent.

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Jim Fraser will play tonight on the Thistle team which meets the senior Vics in the Auditorium, Winnipeg.

AT BRANDON.

The game at Brandon must have been most fiercely contested. Hilliar was carried off the ice, but returned after Brandon had scored a goal and played till the end of the game. At the call of time the score stood 3 to 3 and it was decided to play till one side scored another goal, and the saw-off game lasted about 10 minutes, our boys finally getting the puck through, thus ending the game and adding another triumph to the list.

REBUILDING.

Mr. Angus Carmichael is the busiest man in town today. He has on his hands the work of skinning that three story iceberg of his and it is keeping his men humping. He is also getting his preparations under way for building a new block where the Emporium stood before the fire, and he will build no small block there, for the fire limit bylaw is now in force, and any block, built after a fire, along that part of Main street must be of solid brick or stone. Main street is still one of the chief office and business parts of the town, and it must if necessity go on increasing in architectual solidity. Fires are a calamity, but in a progressive town like Rat Portage, the evil is mitigated somewhat by the imperative demand for a bigger and better structure to replace the one destroyed. The high land values mean high class buildings, so as to utilize to the full extent the ever enhancing value of the real estate.

COUNTY ORANGE LODGE.

For some time the Orangemen of the district of Rainy River have felt that it was time they had a county association, but the arrangements were not completed and officers selected till Tuesday night. There was a large attendance of the brethren and the meeting was a particularly profitable one, the new county lodge start-

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Grand Marshall, A. H. Horn, P. G.; Grand Warden, J. W. Armstrong; Grand Fin.-Sec., J. Miner, P.G.; Grand Rec.-Sec., D. J. McLean, P. G.; Grand Treas., W. Nixor, P.G.; Grand I. G., H. Hansen, P.G.

The officers installed for the ensuing term were J.P.G., Bro. J. A. Alexander; N. G., Bro. J. Brenchley, P. G.; V. G., Bro. M. Nicholson; R. S., Bro. H. E. Holland, P.G.; F. S., Bro. P. H. Clark, P.G.; Treas., Bro. C. E. Neads P.G.; Wrr., Bro. J. C. Baxter, P.G.; R.S.V.G., Bro. H. R. Frost; L.S.V.G., Bro. D. Thorn; R.S.S., Bro. G. Bolton; L.S.S., Bro. A. J. Taylor, P.G.; O. G., Bro. A. E. Openshaw; Chap., Bro. A. Shragg, P.G..

After installations, speeches were made by D.D. G.M., Armstrong and the visiting officers, who congratulated the lodge upon its progress, after which all sat down to an excellent supper supplied by Mr. D. W. Parsons, the popular carterer.

C. O. F. Installation.

Court Lake of the Woods, No. 607, Canadian Order of Foresters, held its regular meeting Thursday evening and installed the following officers for the year 1902: J.P.C.R., J. E. Alcock; Chief Ranger, R. J. Parrott; V.C.R., W. H. McAndless; Rec. Sec., R. J. Husband; Fin. Sec., W. J. Stanton; Chaplain, A. Paul; S.B., P. Metcalfe; J. B., C. Merkley; S.W., L. Stewart; J.W., C. Burleigh; Treasurer, H. King; Marshall, M. Brock. After the business of the meeting had been transacted the members sat down to a sumptuous repast, to which they did ample Justice. A very enjoyable evening was then spent, spiced by the talent of the Court in the rendition of vocal and instrumental productions.

Mr. Wm. Brydon, the property valuator of Winnipeg, who is usually in evidence here after a fire, has not yet arrived, being delayed in work at some distant Manitoba points.

Mr. H. Proudlock, the mining contractor, left this morning for M11 mine, upon which development was re-commenced some days ago.

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Stop the Blight

It is a sad thing to see fine fruit trees spoiled by the blight. You can always tell them from the rest. They never do well afterwards but stay small and sickly.

It is worse to see a blight strike children. Good health is the natural right of children. But some of them don't get their rights. While the rest grow big and strong one stays small and weak.

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POINTS ABOUT ECONOMY IN MINING.

More reliance is being placed today in California on economy in methods of mining than in the quality of the ore handled. Within 25 or 30 years the cost of production has been astonishingly reduced. On the mother lode, writes the mining editor of the San Francisco Chronicle, a revolution in the economics of mining has taken place since the early seventies. Then the cost of mining and milling amounted to $9 per ton, and it was considered scarcely worth while handling ore containing less than $12 per ton. In those years the vein in the Oneida mine in Amador county was being explored at a big loss, because the ore was too low grade to pay expenses. At that time the mine workings were about the 1,000 foot level. Now the operations are conducted between the 1,200 and 2,000 foot levels. The report for the year ending August 31st shows that the total operating expenses affecting the mining and milling of 69,511½ tons of ore extracted during the year averaged $2.88 per ton. The ore yielded $4.09 per ton. Leaving $1.20 per ton profit. An amount equal to $0.74 was expended on construction account, which raised the total cost of operating the mine average to $3.36 for every ton of ore extracted. In this mine crude petroleum was recently introduced as a substitute for wood as fuel for the operation of the hoisting works, and a saving of 35% secured through it. Besides, says the superintendent in his report, it is more cleanly and easy to handle. Employing this fuel, the total operating expenses in August were reduced $0.60 per ton, and the superintendent is confident that hereafter these expenses can be lowered to an average of $2.25 per ton.

DEATH OF OWEN LEWIS.

The death occurred yesterday of Mr. Owen Lewis, aged 33, through a short attack of brain fever, covering but a few days in its course. Deceased was one of the best-known C. P. R. employees in town, having worked in the mechanical department of the round house for upwards of twelve years, serving the company well and steadily during that time, and making hosts of friends among the people of the town, who loved him for his good qualities, and true manliness. A wife and three

THE KING'S GUARDIAN.

Melville, Special Guardian of Royalty, Is Responsible for Safety of King Edward VII.—A Busy Time.

Melville, special guardian of royalty, special Nemesis of anarchists and all sorts of plotters against the state, has had a lively time of it since President McKinley was shot. Melville was in Homburg with the King of England when the fatal bullet was fired, and he went soon afterward with His Majesty to Denmark, and that was a good place for him to be, for the extraordinary collection of royalty gathered at the palace of the King's aged father-in-law at that time was badly frightened by the news, and Melville was the man to reassure them.

He did it so well, in fact, that King Christian decorated him with the Order of the Danebrog. The detective had a lot to do at home, but when the King decided to go to the continent he particularly insisted that Melville in person should go with him, and so "the special and political department of the criminal investigation department at Scotland Yard" had to get along as best it could without its famous chief.

That department with the long name is used to the chief's absence, however, for the King rarely makes any important journey without taking his special protector along, usually in the same compartment of his train or in the adjoining stateroom of his steamer. The detective was an ordinary policeman not long ago, and never had much schooling, but he is good looking, quick-witted, fits the clothes that one of the most fashionable of London tailors makes for him, has a beautiful touch of Irish brogue, and is an entertaining companion.

As a result the King rather enjoys his guardian's society, and many are the games of cards they have played together when there was nothing better to do on a long journey. At Homburg and at Fredonsberg it is said that the King was never out of Melville's sight, except in the moments of relaxation, when one of the chief's three assistants took up the watch. At the family gathering at King Christian's palace this remarkable Irishman was among personal acquaintances, to nearly every one of whom at one time or another he had been personally introduced and for whose safety he had been personally responsible, as each important royalty who visits England is usually placed under Melville's wing from the moment of setting foot on English soil.

Besides the King and Queen of England there were at Fredonsberg the Czar and Czarina, the King and Queen of Greece, the King of Sweden, three crown princes, and some twenty lesser royal highnesses, and as the topic naturally uppermost in the minds of all of them was the topic on which Melville is supposed to know more than any other man living the chief was in great demand.

The detective's rise from the ranks has been extraordinary. The Irish dynamiters brought him into prominence in 1884, when he was scarcely thirty. The alleged attempts to blow up the House of Commons and the Tower bridge, and the dynamite explosion at the old Scotland Yard gave him his chance, and he caught and secured the conviction of most of the men implicated in the plots, including Daly, who is now Mayor of Limerick.

He was bitterly charged at the

BIG LIQUOR BILLS.

Some Surprises in Recent Statistics of the British Board of Trade.

The British Board of Trade recently issued some interesting statistical matter with reference to the production and consumption of alcoholic liquors in the United Kingdom, France, Germany and the United States. The figures are likely to surprise people who are unfamiliar with the subject.

The following tables are compiled from returns received from the United States in 1899; with one exception they cover the returns of 1900 in the other countries named, and the first of them has to do with the governmental revenues from alcoholic beverages:

	Net rev. from tax on drinks.	Propor. to tot. nat'l revenue.
United Kingdom	$47,870,000	36 per ct
France	22,034,000	19 per ct
Germany	13,717,000	18 per ct
United States	39,968,000	29 per ct

It will be seen that the British Government collects a greater revenue, by about $12,000,000, from alcoholic liquors than France and Germany combined, and about $8,000,000 more than the United States. The consumption of wine in the four countries is as follows:

	Total consum., gallons.	Per hd. gallons.
United Kingdom	15,816,000	9.39
France	983,158,000	25.40
Germany	81,834,000	1.45
United States	25,346,000	0.33

This serves to prove that France is maintaining her old reputation as the greatest wine-consuming country in the world, while it fails to show that Americans are making as much headway as supposed in changing from the so-called heavy to the so-called light drinks.

One of the most surprising of the tables, however, is that covering the consumption of beer, the United Kingdom leading the United States and falling not so very far behind Germany.

	Total consum., gallons.	Per hd. gallons.
United Kingdom (1900)	1,298,756,000	31.7
France (1900)	1,238,194,000	6.2
Germany (1899)	1,527,878,000	27.5
United States (1899)	934,210,000	13.3

The per capita consumption of beer in the United Kingdom is greater by about 4 per cent. than in Germany, while it exceeds that of France by about 25 per cent. and that of the United States by about 18 per cent. Belgium and Bavaria, it seems, are the only countries in the world that exceed the United Kingdom in the per capita consumption of beer, that of the former being 47 gallons, of the latter 54 gallons per head.

The table relating to spirits has another surprise to offer:

	Total consum., gallons.	Per hd. gallons.
United Kingdom (1900)	45,890,000	1.12
France (1899)	78,452,000	2.02
Germany (1900)	107,100,000	1.94
United States (1899)	81,000,000	1.06

Contrary to the popular idea, Germany takes the lead as the consumer of strong drinks, although the per capita consumption is slightly greater in France. The United States falls below, or rises above, the United Kingdom, as the case may be, in this table, and, notwithstanding the reputation of Americans as whiskey drinkers, they consume a less quantity of ardent spirits per capita than any of the others.

GET A HOBBY.

How It Works Out for Good in at Least One City.

Last night in the kitchen in one of Toronto's best homes a grey-haired gentleman bowed before a tub on his hands and knees and tried to bite an apple floating in there, with his teeth. And every time he tried he missed, and every time he missed the youngsters laughed, and every time he missed mother laughed and every time he missed the servants laughed, and Jack the terrier joined in the merriment.

The children jumped on his back, and he gave them a ride about the room, and they ran and got his cane, and as he played horse he went gee, haw, whoa, and back at command.

When he got up his knees were dirty, but he brushed off the dirt and the joy remained.

Last night a millionaire ducking for apples with the youngsters.

To-day a man of affairs.

Last night riding babes on his back like a pack horse.

To-day it is "Drive on, James," and a matched team step out together.

Lucky fellow!

He has lots of the rhino, and his soul is as fresh as those youngsters that are playing out in front of my window as I write.

Money hasn't warped his ideas or seared his soul.

Why?

There is nothing that lifts like an ideal, and there is nothing that rests like a hobby.

This fellow is an idealist, and has his hero; he is a faddist and has his hobby, and it's the fad we are talking about now—the hobby. This rich man chums with children whenever he can.

What's your hobby, neighbor?

Have one, if it's only keeping white rats.

This man forgot he was a millionaire when he ducked in that tub last night, forgot he had cares and corns, and was a child again.

His confreres say: "Doesn't Blank hold his age well?"

Hold his age! His hobby holds it for him.

Have a hobby. Life is earnest, but it isn't so terribly earnest that we can't tear ourselves away a little every day from the grind. Have a hobby, and, because you have, life will seem brighter.

They give an engine rest sometimes, and engines are made of steel and iron.

I knew a man whose hobby was to walk, and he walked long miles daily, walked out of a crank into a lovable fellow, with a good appetite and a good digestion to back it up.

I knew a man whose hobby was music, and he forgets it all in a few simple tunes that he has known for years.

I know a man whose hobby is the gun, who is happy when he hears the hounds bark and sees the quarry coming to him.

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In the Estate of Coate & Co., Druggists of Rat Portage.

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A meeting of her creditors will be held at the office of the undersigned solicitor in the Imperial Block, Rat Portage, on Saturday, the 11th day of January, 1902, at the hour of 4 o'clock in the afternoon, to receive a statement of affairs, to appoint inspectors, and fix their remuneration, and for the ordering of the affairs of the estate generally.

Creditors are requested to file their claims with the assignee, with the proofs and particulars thereof required by the said Acts, on or before the day of such meeting.

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intendent in his report, it is more cleanly and easy to handle. Employing this fuel, the total operating expenses in August were reduced $0.80 per ton, and the superintendent is confident that hereafter these expenses can be lowered to an average of $2.25 per ton.

DEATH OF OWEN LEWIS.

The death occurred yesterday of Mr. Owen Lewis, aged 33, through a short attack of brain fever, covering but a few days in its course. Deceased was one of the best-known C. P. R. employees in town, having worked in the mechanical department of the round house for upwards of twelve years, serving the company well and steadily during that time, and making hosts of friends among the people of the town, who loved him for his good qualities, and true manliness. A wife and three children are left to mourn his loss.

CHILDHOOD INDIGESTION.

Often Leads to Serious Trouble Unless Prompt Steps Are Taken to Check It—How This Can Best be Done.

Indigestion is a trouble that is very common in infancy and early childhood; and unless prompt measures are taken to control it the result is often very serious. It prevents the proper growth of the child and weakens the constitution, so that he is unable to resist other diseases that are more dangerous. Fortunately, however the trouble is one that is easily controlled. Proper food—not too much, but absolutely pure—plenty of fresh air, and Baby's Own Tablets, administered freely according to the directions, will soon put the sufferer right, and make both mother and child happy. Mrs. W. E. Bassam, of Kingston, Ont., is one of the many mothers who has proved the truth of this statement. She says: "When my little girl was about three months old, she had indigestion very badly. She was vomiting and had diarrhoea almost constantly. She was very thin, weighed only four pounds and although she had a ravenous appetite her food did her no good whatever. I had tried several medicines but they did not help her. Then I heard of Baby's Own Tablets and procured a box. After giving her the tablets for a few days, the vomiting ceased, she began to improve at once, and grew plump and fat. I always give her the Tablets now when she is ailing and the result is always good. Baby's Own Tablets are the best medicine I have ever used for a child."

These tablets will promptly cure all the minor ailments of little ones, such as sour stomach, indigestion, colic, constipation, allay the irritation accompanying the cutting of teeth, etc. They are good for children of all ages, and crushed to a powder or dissolved in water can be given with absolute safety to the youngest infant. If you cannot obtain Baby's Own Tablets at your druggist they will be sent post paid at 25 cents a box by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

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(Signed)

MILTON L. HERSEY, M. A. Sc.

Provincial Analyst for Quebec

Montreal, Dec. 23, 1901.

daily placed under Melville's wing from the moment of setting foot on English soil.

Besides the King and Queen of England there were at Fredensberg the Czar and Czarina, the King and Queen of Greece, the King of Sweden, three crown princes, and some twenty lesser royal highnesses, and as the topic naturally uppermost in the minds of all of them was the topic on which Melville is supposed to know more than any other man living the chief was in great demand.

The detective's rise from the ranks has been extraordinary. The Irish dynamiters brought him into prominence in 1884, when he was scarcely thirty. The alleged attempts to blow up the House of Commons and the Tower bridge, and the dynamite explosion at the old Scotland Yard gave him his chance, and he caught and secured the conviction of most of the men implicated in the plots, including Daly, who is now Mayor of Limerick.

He was bitterly charged at the time with having "planted" the whole conspiracy for his own glorification. His reputation became secure when he dug up a nest of anarchists who were manufacturing bombs at Walsall. One of the lot had set out with some bombs to blow up Greenwich Observatory, but accidentally blew himself up instead, and was found scattered about in small pieces in Greenwich park.

Melville made a specialty of anarchists and monarchs after that, and it is asserted that he now knows at least by sight every anarchist of any consequence in England, and most of the important ones on the continent, and can lay his hands on them at any moment. Naturally enough he is declared by the brotherhood to be utterly unscrupulous and ready at any time to sacrifice any one of them to his own ambition. They have for him a hatred that speaks well for William Melville.

Premier of South Australia.

Mr. John Greely Jenkins, the new Premier of South Australia, is by descent a Welshman, but was born in the United States, at Clifford, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania. He arrived in Adelaide in 1878. Having held various municipal offices at Unley, South Australia, Mr. Jenkins was elected to the Legislative Assembly in 1887, and was re-elected in 1890. In March, 1891, on the death of Mr. Bews, Mr. Jenkins accepted the portfolio of Minister of Education in the Playford Ministry, exchanging it in January, 1892, for that of Public Works, a position he held till June, 1892, when he resigned with his colleagues after their defeat. He held office in the Kingston Ministry and was subsequently Chief Secretary in the Holden Ministry. On Mr. Holder's retiring from State politics to enter the Federal Parliament Mr. Jenkins succeeded him in the Premiership.

England's Stage Beauty.

To Miss Lillah McCarthy has been awarded the palm of being the most beautiful actress upon the English stage. Frederic Harrison has pronounced that verdict, and no one has come forward to openly challenge it. Miss McCarthy is Wilson Barrett's leading woman in Australia.

Lord Kitchener's Politeness.

A despatch from Brussels says that Lord Kitchener has permitted Mrs. Delarey, wife of the Boer general, to return to Pretoria and stay in her daughter's house. In a letter addressed to a Dutch friend, Mrs. Delarey speaks highly of Lord Kitchener's politeness to her.

United States by about 13 per cent. Belgium and Bavaria, it seems, are the only countries in the world that exceed the United Kingdom in the per capita consumption of beer, that of the former being 47 gallons, of the latter 54 gallons per head.

The table relating to spirits has another surprise to offer:

	Total consum., gallons.	Per hd. gallons.
United Kingdom (1899)	45,890,100	1.12
France (1899)	78,452,000	2.02
Germany (1899)	107,100,000	1.94
United States (1899)	81,000,000	1.06

Contrary to the popular idea, Germany takes the lead as the consumer of strong drinks, although the per capita consumption is slightly greater in France. The United States falls below, or rises above, the United Kingdom, as the case may be, in this table, and, notwithstanding the reputation of Americans as whiskey drinkers, they consume a less quantity of ardent spirits per capita than any of the others.

London's Severest Winter.

The great snowstorm when the Thames was frozen over for nearly four months, occurred in 1683-84. The frost continued without intermission from December to February, snow coming down almost continuously, so that some parts of the country were well nigh impassable. To add to the discomfort a bitter east wind blew all the time. Ships anxious to enter the port of London were obliged to remain at the mouth of the Thames, and the crews suffered great privations. Provisions were dear, horses and cattle often died of cold and scarcely a bird lived through the winter.

The citizens of London, however, resolving on having some profit out of the extraordinary weather, built a regular colony on the icebound Thames. Shops, taverns, coffee houses, booths for dramatic representations, printing offices and similar buildings sprang up like magic. The winter was probably the severest ever known in England, though the following one of 1684-85 was famous for its extreme cold.—London Tit-Bits.

Scottish Gardeners.

Lord Rosebery's remark in Edinburgh that Scotland has produced the greatest gardeners in the world recalls a rather cynical saying of Dr. Johnston on the subject of Scottish gardening. At Mrs Terale's one evening Boswell remarked that England was indebted to his native land for one thing, is about all the good gardeners in the south were Scotsmen. Johnson thereupon observed, "Why, sir, that is because gardening is much more necessary amongst you than with us, which makes so many people learn it. It is all gardening with you. Things which grow wild here must be cultivated with great care in Scotland. Pray now," (throwing himself back in his chair, and laughing), "are you ever able to bring the sloe to perfection?"

Food, Brains and Genius.

In a passage of his "Confessions" descanting upon the nature of drunkenness DeQuincey concludes that the exact condition indicated is a question of accuracy in terms. He was assured on medical authority that a man could be and had been, drunk upon a beefsteak. This is largely true, for even solid food may produce at any rate great mental torpor. The comfort of a good dinner may have suggested a writer's theme, we doubt whether it ever promptly stirred his pen. It is the empty stomach that best suits a full head and ideas that flow out freely before retire with the entry of a substantial repast.

times, and engines are made of steel and iron.

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Prof. J. H. Cornyn.

Another young Canadian, J. H. Cornyn, has been making quite a reputation for himself of late as a writer of stories of Mexico and Mexican life. Prof. Cornyn has two volumes of stories now in the press. One is a collection of short stories of the Mexican people, and the other of Mexican fairy tales. These stories, or fairy tales, are all based upon the early Aztec history, which is full of the marvelous. Prof. Cornyn is a recent graduate of Toronto University, with honors in modern languages, and is now director of the American College in Mexico, editor of The Tierra de Mexico, a paper published in Spanish, and representative of the Scripps-McRae League, and also of several other American papers. He is about 30 or 31 years of age, and was for a short time on the staff of Toronto papers. From Toronto he went to New York and continued his journalistic work before going to Mexico.

De-ka-nav-deh.

At the last meeting of the British Association Mr. John Ojijatekha Brant-Sero, a Canadian Mohawk from the Brantford reserve, read a most instructive and interesting paper on Dekanawideh, the law-giver of the Caniengahakas. Mr. Brant-Sero is one of the Indians who felt so bitterly the refusal of the Imperial authorities to allow an Indian contingent being sent to South Africa last year, and The Times printed several admirably written letters from him on the subject. I found a most interesting little book from the pen of Mr. Kirby, the author of "The Golden Dog," on the subject of the early history of Niagara, and the Indian tribes which then swarmed over the Niagara Peninsula. What a thousand pities it is that we have not more from that author, whose pen can give to the most commonplace of subjects an interest peculiarly its own. — Lally Barnard, in The Globe.

A Question and a Query.

Amongst the guests at a wedding breakfast was one whose continued rudeness made him extremely objectionable to the rest of the company.

His conduct, though nigh unbearable, was put up with for some time, until he held up on his fork a piece of meat which had been served to him, and remarked, in a vein of intended humor:

"Is this pig?"

This immediately drew forth the query from a quiet-looking individual sitting at the other end of the table:

"Which end of the fork do you refer to?"

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WM. WALKER,

Assignee,

By J. E. BIRD,

his Solicitor.

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The train will leave Chicago 10 a.m. January 28th (the through car from Twin Cities will arrive Chicago 7 a.m. and will be immediately attached) and will reach Chicago on return trip Wednesday, 3 p.m., March 5th—St. Paul-Minneapolis following morning—making 37 days.

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Notice to Creditors

In the Matter of the Estate of Elizabeth Jane Smith of the Town of Rat Portage in the District of Rainy River, Married Woman, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN PURSUANT to Sec. 38 of Chap. 129, R. S. O. 1897, that all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the said Elizabeth Jane Smith, deceased, who died on or about the ... day of October, 1901, are required to send by post prepaid, or deliver to William Boston Towers, Solicitor for Wm. Young and Thos. ... Smith, the Executors, or to the said Executors, on or before the 20th day of January, 1902, their Christian and surnames and addresses, with full particulars in writing of their claims, and statement of their accounts and the nature of the security (if any) held by them, duly verified by statutory declaration.

And take notice that after the said 20th day of January, 1902, said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have had notice, and the said Executors will not be liable for said assets, or any part thereof, to any person or persons of whose claim notice shall not have been received by them or their Solicitor at the time of such distribution.

Dated this 5th day of December, 1901.

WILLIAM YOUNG, THOMAS J. SMITH, Executors.

WILLIAM BOSTON TOWERS,

No. 2 Imperial Bank Block,

Rat Portage,

Solicitor for the said Executors.

IN MUNICIPAL LIFE.

LORD ROSEBERY TELLS OF HEALTHY SIGN IN GREAT BRITAIN.

Of Recent Years Men of Standing Have Been Ambitious to Hold Municipal Offices in the Mother Country—Standard of National and City Life Is Raised, but There Are Still Evils to Combat.

Nothing has been so useful to Great Britain in the last few years as the ambition of men of standing to hold municipal office, to work municipal affairs. It is a healthy sign. Not merely is it good as showing the wish of what is called the aristocracy to take part in the public affairs and to perform their share of duty to the community at large, but it has also raised the standard of municipal life and is a guarantee of municipal purity. It is not a thousand years ago since municipalities in Scotland were by no means free from the suspicion of corruption. It is not by legislation alone that the standard of municipal life in Scotland and England has been raised. It has been raised because the standard of our national life has been raised. It has been raised because the standard of purity in public life has been maintained and extended to all branches of public life.

Every day witnesses an increasing interest in municipal affairs. Every day men of standing occupy municipal office and discharge it not merely as a matter of duty, but as a matter of enthusiasm. The other day at Winchester I saw a procession of English Mayors which made me feel that if those gentlemen had been divested of their gorgeous raiments and had been left in the ordinary attire of their fellow-citizens they would have presented a body of men of standing, of capacity, and of learning that would compare with any ordinary senate. That in itself marks a great stride towards the best possible realization of our hopes.

But for all that we are not safe. The bacillus of municipal corruption is one that is extremely difficult to detect in its early growth, and extremely difficult to extirpate in its later growth, and we have the example of a community which is united to England by the nearest ties of blood to show that by slow and insidious degrees a corrupt force may obtain supremacy in our municipalities, a force which when once established it is almost impossible to drive out. I do not believe that it exists among them now, but it is a danger to which we were always liable on account of the increasing magnitude of funds with which our municipalities have to deal. The debts of municipalities and of the county corporations are something like £315,000,000 sterling. That is a vast sum. It is a national debt in itself. But it is well spent by municipalities which bring profit and material benefit to the communities over which they preside. We do not regret the sum owing and we are glad to think that it has been well laid out.

At the same time, it must be remembered that where a debt of that kind could be incurred there must be facilities for licit expenditure, and facilities for illicit expenditure, and [illegible] for corruption, and when those facilities or liabilities occur, we

COMMERCIAL ENGLISH.

Strange Ways in Which Trade Usages Modify Our Language.

Commercial English contains some of the curiosities of the language. It is a strangely varied mixture—partly technical, partly vulgar, and to the purist, wholly unpleasing. It does not always hold grammar in due respect but breaks Priscian's head in a calmly irritating manner. What can be more offensive than the legend now to be seen over so many shop windows and on so many advertising circulars, of "Bespoke Tailor," or Bespoke Bootmaker?" Another irritating modern term, the invention of northern hotel-keepers, is "smoke-room." It may be considered pedantic to cavil at a name which is so much used, and which has been heard within the walls of the House of Commons, once sacred to pure English and classical quotations, but as we do not visit the "read-room," nor use a "sit-room," nor eat in a "dine-room," it is not unreasonable to ask why we should take our tobacco in a "smoke-room." This is, however, by the way. The choicest specimens of ungrammatical commercial English are usually to be found in those circulars, familiar to dwellers in the suburbs, issued when a business changes hands and "patrons" are thanked for their "esteemed orders" by the retiring tradesman, while the newcomer solicits a "continuance of the same."

Orthography fares no better at the hands of a few enterprising tradesmen than grammar. There is at least one firm which persistently advertise its dealings in "sox." This is supposed to be a conveniently shortened version of "socks." In America it is said to be customary, in making out bills of lading, to use "sax" for "sacks," the idea being that the saving of two letters in each entry becomes a very large economy in ink and time when the entries run into thousands. But if such solecisms are to be allowed, why should not the hardware seller deal in "tax," or the builder in "brix?"

Another word in universal use among traders, wholesale and retail, and among commercial travelers, is "line." This seems to hover on the borderland between the technical and the slang vocabulary. It is difficult to say to which category it belongs. The traveler offers the tradesman, and tradesman offers his customers, a special line in parasols, or a cheap line in blankets, or a good line — that is a bargain — in linens; or attention is drawn to new lines in this or that commodity. The proprietor of some novelty advertises that he wants two or three gentlemen calling upon drapers, or grocers, or fancy dealers, or what not, to take up a line which is selling well. Again, the word is used in another way. A traveler, disappointed in getting an order, remarks to the shopkeeper whom he has been interviewing: "Well, perhaps you'll be able to give me a line some other day," while the successful traveler chuckles as he books "a good line." So that the same word serves both as a synonym for an order and as general name for a particular class or quality of goods.

The "line" is supposed to have been originally simply the line in a commercial traveler's notebook booking an order. From the notebook the word has spread to the shop window, the advertising circular, and the sale list. Another use of the word is as a synonym for [illegible]

JINGLES AND JESTS.

Progress.

This life is full of worthiness,
Obscured by circumstance,
But blossoming into glorious things
When once it gets a chance.

The pumpkin seems a [illegible] fruit;
'Tis neither fair nor sweet,
But when it is transformed to pie,
In faith, it can't be beat!

Rats and Dogs.

Gentleman (indignantly) — When I bought this dog, you said he was splendid for rats. Why, he won't touch them.

Dog Dealer—Well, ain't that splendid for rats?

A Stirring Taol.

A fellow confined in the gaol
Once turned most exceedingly paol.
"What is it?" they cried,
And the fellow replied,
"I thougat I had swallowed a whaol."

Speed Comparisons.

"Isn't this the slowest vehicle you ever rode in?" said one cab driver to another.

"Not at all; once I rode in a Philadelphia trolley car."

For All but Fools.

Oh, you who search to find a creed,
Here end the foolish quest.
This little line is all you need:
"Do what you know is best."

Lucky. After All.

She—You're lucky at cards!

He—Very.

She—Lucky at cards, unlucky in love.

He—I don't believe it. I've been rejected three times.

No Chance For War.

"All's fair," they say, "in love and war,"
But think of this a minute—
When love holds sway by night and day,
Why, fighting isn't in it!

A Certainty.

Briggs — There's no use talking — a man can't drink and play golf at the same time.

Griggs—So you've sworn off golf, have you?

My Lady's Hat.

Now in the wind her Gainsborough,
Plume laden, wildly flaps.
Unhandy hats, 'tis plain to see,
Are often handicaps.

Bedtime.

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may obtain supremacy in our municipalities, a force which when once established it is almost impossible to drive out. I do not believe that it exists among them now, but it is a danger to which we were always liable on account of the increasing magnitude of funds with which our municipalities have to deal. The debts of municipalities and of the county corporations are something like £315,000,000 sterling. That is a vast sum. It is a national debt in itself. But it is well spent by municipalities which bring profit and material benefit to the communities over which they preside. We do not regret the sum owing and we are glad to think that it has been well laid out.

At the same time, it must be remembered that where a debt of that kind could be incurred there must be facilities for illicit expenditure, and facilities for illicit expenditure, and but for corruption and when those facilities or liabilities occur we must keep a vigilant watch that corruption does not creep in. There is a great cry in England, and in Scotland, too, I fancy louder in London than elsewhere, against increase in local taxes. I myself have grumbled at noticing the increase of my taxes. But people forget how much more they require than their fathers did 40 or 50 years ago. There was one staple commodity of which our ancestors and predecessors required comparatively little—namely, water, and I am happy to think that the reason why people require so much more water is not merely owing to an increase in population but to the enormous development of cleanly habits among our population.

The municipalities of the country are vying with each other in seeking and tapping every source of water they can find in order to provide for their inhabitants and their citizens. But water is only one of the developed wants of civilization. We require much better light. The streets lit as they were 30 or 50 years ago would be considered cut-throat lanes by the population of today. Recreation grounds, open spaces and isolation hospitals are items of value which were scarcely known to our forefathers, and such conditions have been brought to the highest possible development today by any British town council which respects itself or wishes to be reelected.—From a recent speech of Lord Rosebery.

British Brevities.

There are 2,214 Spaniards in England, also 658 Portuguese.

The London fire brigade uses 17,000,000 gallons of water yearly.

British inhabitants drink 25,000,000 bottles yearly of patent medicines.

About 616,000,000 telephone messages are sent yearly in Great Britain.

John Bull's national credit is £18 for every one pound of his national debt.

Five million pounds sterling is spent yearly on flowers in the British Isles.

During the last century 4,851 patents were taken out for furniture in Great Britain.

Four hundred British companies go into liquidation yearly, costing their shareholders in all £12,000,000.

Baden-Powell on Buller.

Major-General Baden-Powell, when interviewed as to the dismissal of General Buller, said with a lot of feeling: "It seems terribly hard luck after all the splendid service. It seems to me to have been a little breakout that should have been forgotten."

that is a bargain — in linens; or attention is drawn to new lines in this or that commodity. The proprietor of some novelty advertises that he wants two or three gentlemen calling upon drapers, or grocers, or fancy dealers; or what not, to take up a line which is selling well. Again, the word is used in another way. A traveler, disappointed in getting an order, remarks to the shopkeeper whom he has been interviewing: "Well, perhaps you'll be able to give me a line some other day," while the successful traveler chuckles as he books a good line. So that the same word serves both as a synonym for an order and as general name for a particular class or quality of goods.

The "line" is supposed to have been originally simply the line in a commercial traveler's notebook booking an order. From the notebook the word has spread to the shop window, the advertising circulars and the sale list. Another use of the word is as a synonym for trade or occupation. Dickens long ago described in "Sketches by Boz" — in the paper on "The Dials" — how "the [illegible] in shop, perhaps, began the [illegible] 'jemmy' line, or the firewood and hearthstone line, or any other line which requires a floating capital of eighteenpence or thereabouts." The present writer well remembers how once, years ago, toward the end of a pedestrian excursion prolonged through several weeks of glorious summer weather, he was asked by a tramp, as he sat resting under a roadside tree, what "line" he was in. Appearances were certainly against him, for the sun had blazed fiercely for many days, his costume was unconventional, a good many miles of dusty road had been covered on that particular day, and, moreover, he carried a knapsack—which the tramp probably took for a peddler's pack. Altogether the "line" fills a tolerably large page in the vocabulary of trade.

But perhaps the most curious examples of commercial English are to be found in the adjectives. Trade price lists, especially of one or two particular kinds of commodities, are quite curious reading. The lists abound in adjectives and quaintly phrased descriptions, which seems to need considerable technical knowledge for their due appreciation. "Full-flavored," "choice cup," and the like need no explanation, but "brisk liquoring," "strong and liquoring" seems a little cryptic, and "strong grippy character" sounds alarming. "Musky" does not sound complimentary, and when applied to tea means soft and flavorless. "Minty" describes a flavor which can hardly be regarded as desirable. "Malty," "thick soft" and "very fine tippy" require technical knowledge for due appreciation of their meaning.—London Globe.

What Settled Him.

Two farmers met at the Cross of Kilmarnock on a Friday, and as they came from the same district and attended the same church, fell a-crackin'. John said to James, "Are you attendin' the kirk noo?" "No," replied the other, "I have not been to church for about two years." "Dear me," said number one, "I'm sorry to hear that o' ye. Have you and the meenister fa'in oot?" "No, the minister was at my hoose last nicht an' had tea wi' us. He's a fine fellow the minister." "Then what is adae?" "Oh! It's just this way. You ken yon body, the banker, that's an elder?" "Ay, fine." "Well, the last three times I was at the kirk he was at the plate, an' whenever I drappit my collection into the plate he stopped ower tae me an' said: 'Your bank account is overdrawn!' That settled me."

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His View of It.

Saymold Story—What was the onluckiest thing that ever happened to ye?

Goodman Gonrong—Gittin' born.

Cash Needed.

The while I founder deep in debt
This thought has crossed my mind:
Soft coal is just as hard to get
As any other kind.

He Knows It All.

Chimmie—Is he much of a scrapper?

Chonnie—Say, wot he don't know about boxin' can't be learned in a box factory.

Meat and Vegetables.

Dere increase in their cost we see.
Ere long we will begin
To fear that pork and beans will be
As rare as terrapin.

The Professor.

"Speaking of biogenesis," said the professor, "let us consider the live wire. The liver it is the quicker it kills."

Discontent.

The same old chorus, year by year,
Man raises, willy nilly;
We rail at summer's heat severe
And grieve when winter's chilly.

Not Game.

"She's not received in the best society, I'm told."

"No; entre nous, she gets cold feet at bridge."

Beamish's.

Old Bill is dead! That tough old goat
We never shall see more.
He used to wear a long goatee
All hanging down before.

Always Opportune.

"Doctor, when is the best time to eat an apple?"

"Whenever you can get hold of one."

Torments of Speech.

These two are tortures worse by far
Than all that Dante sang—
The mincing man who slurs his "r"
And the girl who uses slang.

Queer.

They say you can't keep a good man down, but how do they know, since they never discover a good man till he gets up?

True Wisdom.

"The man that shpakes a dozen tongues
Is wise," says Pat; "but, this,
He's wiser shtill if he has one
To kape his mouth shut in."
—Philadelphia Press.

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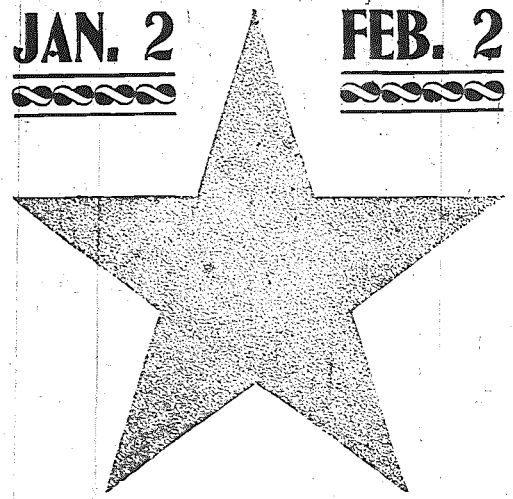

OWING TO OUR DAILY INCREASING BUSINESS we are compelled to have more selling space. Extensive improvements will take place here in the early spring and new Departments will be added which will make our store one of the very best in the west. We do not wish to have a lot of our goods lying around when the carpenters and plasterers are doing their work and we cannot afford to shut up shop, but we intend to make a price on All Winter Goods and Odd Lines that will leave little to be destroyed.

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Mr. E. A. Pearson received word Friday last of the death of his sister Mrs. Stephen Guest, at Merrickville, Ontario.

The first meeting of the new town council will be held on Monday next.

Mr. Brydon told a Miner reporter that the thing which hurt him most in being defeated, was that he had intended building granolithic sidewalks.

The fire on Pope's corner has not put Mr. Chesterton out of business, as has been rumored, for he has already resumed operations in the Odd Fellows block.

LOST.—In Rat Portage, on January 6th, a Municipal Election. Finder will please leave at News Office.

Mr. Dan Hyland, of Beaudette, arrived last night to pay a brief business visit. He is registered at the Hilliard.

Mr. L. Mathews, the veteran commercial traveller, who visited Rat Portage when he had to walk in, spent a few days in town last week. After his work was done he foregathered with men like Mr. Frank Gardner, and strange stories were told of the little hamlet of the rate.

Mr. Otto E. Greely, appraiser, of Minneapolis, is staying at the Hilliard

TRIUMPHED IN FRUIT

At the Late Pan-Am. Ontario Secured 70 Gold Medals, 32 Silver Medals, 31 Bronze Medals and 89 Honorable Mentions.

The results of the judging in the horticulture department of the Pan-American Exposition, as filed with the Ontario Department of Agriculture, show another notable triumph for the Province of Ontario. While the State of New York secured more awards than Ontario, our list is exceeded by that of no other State, territory or country. New York received the gold medal for the largest number of varieties of fruit, but Ontario was given the gold medal for its "general display of fruits of superior excellence." In other words, New York won in quantity and Ontario in quality. No less than 70 gold medals, 32 silver medals, 28 bronze medals and 89 honorable mentions came to Ontario. Some of the notable victories won were gold medals on honey, on wines, on general excellence of all our fruit, two on cold storage apples of 1900 taken out on August 17, 1901, 97 per cent. sound; also silver medal for installation of exhibit, a similar medal being awarded to California. It is notable that Florida, California, Delaware and other noted fruit-producing States stand away down the list in their total awards when compared with Ontario.

The following are the gold medals

ROYAL TEETH.

More Prone Than Those of People of Lesser Rank to Ache—King Edward's Chief Aversion.

Old world royalty is decidedly weak in the matter of teeth. The moment that the Duke of Cornwall and York landed in Australia he was obliged to place himself in the hands of the dentist, and was afflicted to such an extent with the agonies of the toothache that he was unable to appear at several of the receptions organized in his honor, and at which the Duchess was obliged to figure alone. On the Ophir arriving in the St. Lawrence the other day, almost the first person to be summoned on board was a Quebec dentist, for the purpose of affording relief to the Duchess, whose entire trip across the Atlantic had been spoiled by a torturing toothache.

We all remember how King Edward when asked to describe his chief aversion, declared that it was the obligation to look pleasant and to make civil speeches to people when suffering from a raging toothache, and the late Dr. Thomas Evans, of Paris, was frequently summoned across the channel to Sandringham to attend to the teeth of the King and Queen and of their children, who would never pass through Paris without submitting their molars to an inspection by the famous dentist.

Both Napoleon III. and Empress

Mentioned in the Will.

Runaway marriages are becoming so common that it is interesting to recall a stern parent of this city who refused to ever again see his only child, a daughter, who had offended him in this manner. Years passed, and the time came for his death without having brought to him any softening toward the girl. As he was a *man of great wealth, considerable curiosity* was felt to know whether she would be mentioned in his will or whether in death, as in life, she was disinherited. Bets were offered and taken whether her name would even be mentioned. After many and generous bequests to charity the following clause in the will was read:

"I give, bequeath and devise unto my daughter Jane the sum of $5, in order that she may purchase some strongly written tract on filial obedience."

Mutton Fat.

Most of the odor of roasting lamb and much of the strong flavor of mutton may be avoided by asking the butcher to remove every particle of outside fat as well as the transparent tissue covering the shoulder or leg. It is that absorbs the flavor from the wool and gives the taste so disagreeable to most people. All first class butchers will do this without extra dressing the meat.

Vigorous, but Tactic.

Wealthy Patient: What a good job for amputating my leg.

Eminent Surgeon: There, there, my dear fellow, Sir.

Wealthy Patient: [illegible] That's a brave man.

Branded Values.

A nugget may be worth twenty dollars, but you don't know it until it is tested and weighed.

A piece of gold stamped by the mint is worth exactly what it is branded.

A common shoe may be worth what is asked for it, but you don't know till you wear it and find out. It may be Goodyear welted and it may not be.

A "Slater Shoe" branded with makers' name and price in a slate frame is worth exactly what the makers say it is.

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WE HAVE MANY NICE THINGS to choose from, and at prices to suit your pocketbook. We take pleasure in showing you our stock of Xmas Presents.

See Our Window Displays..

Wood's Drug Store

Cor. Matheson and Fort, Rat Portage.

Items of Local Interest

Mr. Wm. Caldwell has returned from the Golden Horn and reports splendid progress on that property.

Mr. E. G. Hall announces that he has taken an office in the Brydon block for the transaction of business.

A large gang of bridgemen and railway builders left here Wednesday night for North Bay to work on a big new contract.

Mr. Smith, of the Smith, Fishel Co., which firm has presented the Curling Club with a trophy for competition, spent Wednesday and Thursday in town.

Dr. Barrett, inspector of customs, paid the town an official visit this week.

Mr. Jos. Gauthier, the barber, whose premises are near the Pope block which was recently burned down, wishes to thank the friends who took care of his goods during the fire.

One of the Winnipeg papers rebuked the Thistles in the game against the Vics because the audience was kept waiting twenty minutes. This is not quite as bad as treatment awarded a Rat Portage audience, who waited from 9:30 until 11:30, the visitors meanwhile spending nearly an hour in a restaurant having supper.

Miss Mustard, of Uxbridge, Ont., has arrived to take charge of the south ward school, in place of Miss Williams who got married.

The Partington Supply Co. announce by means of a placard on their store door that they have gone out of business. Manager Appleton has however started a business in the Vereker block.

Rev. Mr. Gandier, of Toronto, has arrived to take charge of the Presbyterian Indian school.

Members of the Gold Hill Lodge No. 261, and all visiting Odd Fellows are requested to meet at I.O.O.F. hall at 1.20, sharp on Saturday to attend the funeral of our late Bro. Owen Lewis.

The fire on Pope's corner did not put Mr. Chesterton out of business, as has been rumored, for he has already resumed operations in the Odd Fellows block.

Lost.—In Rat Portage, on January 6th, a Municipal Election. Finder will please leave at News Office.

Mr. Dan Hyland, of Beaudette, arrived last night to pay a brief business visit. He is registered at the Hilliard.

Mr. L. Mathews, the veteran commercial traveller, who visited Rat Portage when he had to walk in, spent a few days in town last week. After his work was done he foregathered with men like Mr. Frank Gardner, and strange stories were told of the little hamlet of the rats.

Mr. Otto E. Greely, appraiser, of Minneapolis, is staying at the Hilliard House on business connected with the recent fires.

Mr. J. L. Pollock, representative of the Stuart-Arbuthnot Machinery Co. of Winnipeg, is in town today. Talking on the matter of business outlook, Mr. Pollock said that Manitoba and the west had never experienced anything like the activity of the last few months, his firm, among the numerous other business houses of the city, being rushed with orders.

Miss Nora Chadwick is visiting friends in Winnipeg.

Miss L. Cross, of Winnipeg, is here visiting her sister, Mr. G. A. Toole.

Chief Factor, Mr. Wm. Clark, of the Hudson's Bay Co., was in town for a few days this week visiting our bustling post and its manager, Mr. Holt. He left on this morning's train for Winnipeg.

The annual Woman's Hospital Aid Society carnival will be held in Victoria rink on Thursday evening, Jan. 16. The ladies have an ambition to eclipse all previous efforts in the carnival line, and have arranged for such attractions as a ladies' hockey match, coon cake walk, boys' obstacle race, grand march, etc. Tempting refreshments will be served during the evening. The prizes will be on exhibition in Johnson's window on Monday next. Everybody should arrange their dates so that they will not conflict with the carnival. Tickets 25c; children 15c.

THE USE OF STRONG SOAP WILL NOT WASH OUT DIAMOND DYE COLORS.

Diamond Dye colors are absolutely fast and unfading. Washing with strong soap or exposure in sunshine cannot stain or fade these imperishable colors. No other dyes in the world have such a reputation for strength, brilliancy, purity and beauty of colors. Diamond Dyes are the most economical dyes; one package will color as much material as three packages of any other dye.

If you have not yet seen the new and attractive Diamond Dye Mat and Rug Patterns, send your address to the Wells & Richardson Co., Limited, 200 Mountain St., Montreal, P.Q., and you will be immediately supplied.

ceeded by that of no other State, territory or country. New York received the gold medal for the largest number of varieties of fruit, but Ontario was given the gold medal for its "general display of fruits of superior excellence." In other words, New York won in quantity and Ontario in quality. No less than 20 gold medals, 32 silver medals, 38 bronze medals and 89 honorable mentions came to Ontario. Some of the notable victories won were gold medals on honey, on wines, on general excellence of all our fruit, two on cold storage apples of 1900 taken out on August 17, 1901, 97 per cent. sound; also silver medal for installation of exhibit, a similar medal being awarded to California. It is notable that Florida, California, Delaware and other noted fruit-producing States stand away down the list in their total awards when compared with Ontario.

The following are the gold medals which come to Ontario:

Province of Ontario — Display of wines; apples, 37 varieties 1900, made June 7, 1901; apples, 12 varieties 1900, made October 12, 1901; eight cases for export, eight varieties, season 1900, 97 per cent. sound, made August 17, 1901; strawberries, 1901; plums, 1901; peaches, 1901; pears, 1901; outdoor grapes, 1901; house-grown grapes, 1901; general display of fruits of superior excellence.

Gold medals to individual exhibitors — J. F. Brennan & Son, Grimsby, peaches; W. H. Dempsey, Trenton, apples of superior excellence; W. M. Orr & Son, Fruitland, general and continuous display of fruits of superior quality; Albert Pay, St. Catharines, continuous display of fruit of superior merit; A Railton, Fonthill, continuous display of fruit of excellent quality; F. J. Stewart, Homer, general display of grapes and other fruits of superior excellence; James Titterington, St. Catharines, general and continuous display of superior fruits; L. Woolverton, Grimsby, general display of fruits.

Miscellaneous awards: Gold medals, Province of Ontario, Department of Agriculture, collective exhibit of honey. John H. Dunlop, Toronto, tender roses. H. H. Groff, Simcoe, gladiolus.

Silver medals — J. Gammage & Son, London, carnations.

John H. Dunlop, Toronto, carnations.

Bronze medals — W. J. Lawrence, Mimico, tender roses.

The H. Dale estate, Brampton, tender roses.

R. Cameron, Niagara Falls, dahlias.

Honorable mention — T. J. Farmer, Port Dalhousie, dahlias.

A Story of Hon. Joe Martin.

In a private letter received in Toronto a lady in Vancouver related an incident which shows that Hon. Joe Martin is still on the boards. The story is that when the Duke of York was in Vancouver Mr. Martin entered the leading club of that city and addressed a group of the members who were discussing the royal visit.

"I suppose you will admit," said Mr. Martin, "that the Duke of York is a well-bred Englishman?"

His auditors were probably too shocked by the question to admit or deny anything.

"Well," he continued, "I have just heard the Duke speak, and I notice that he doesn't talk English the way you fellows talk English. I don't understand it at all."

Which suggests that in Vancouver as in Toronto the Duke's English has given the prevailing fashionable accent a bad jolt.

organized in his honor, and at which the Duchess was obliged to figure alone. On the Ophir arriving in the St. Lawrence the other day, almost the first person to be summoned on board was a Quebec dentist, for the purpose of affording relief to the Duchess, whose entire trip across the Atlantic had been spoiled by a torturing toothache.

We all remember how King Edward when asked to describe his chief aversion, declared that it was the obligation to look pleasant and to make civil speeches to people when suffering from a raging toothache, and the late Dr. Thomas Evans, of Paris, was frequently summoned across the channel to Sandringham to attend to the teeth of the King and Queen and of their children, who would never pass through Paris without submitting their molars to an inspection by the famous dentist.

Both Napoleon III. and Empress Eugenie had constant recourse to the medical services of Dr. Evans, and notoriously took advantage of the fact that he was continually being called away to attend this or that foreign sovereign to intrust him with the delicate duty of repeating to his illustrious patient matters which could not be well communicated either in writing or verbally through official channels.

There is no royal personage in all Europe who is a greater martyr to toothache than the Crown Prince of Norway and Sweden, whose teeth are barred, owing to which none of them can be removed without having been previously crushed, so as to admit of their being taken away piecemeal. That the Queen of Roumania has frequently stood in need of medical attention to her teeth is shown by the fact that when, after the failure of her Majesty to carry through her pet project of a marriage between her nephew, the Crown Prince, and her favorite maid of honor, Helene Vacarescu, she withdrew to Venice and established a sort of court of her own there; her American dentist figured along with her French private secretary, Robert Schaeffer, and Mlle. Vacarescu among those of her familiars whom her husband, the King, summarily dismissed from his wife's service at the time when he confided her to the care of her mother and brother in Germany, where she was virtually under restraint for a time.

Among the persons distinguished by Queen Isabella of Spain with her favor was an American dentist, who, in the latter part of the '50s and in the early part of the '60s, played a great role at Madrid, being alleged by many people to have been parentally related to the late King Alfonso, and again it was toothache that brought the late King of Wurtemberg into communication with that other American dentist whom he loaded with favors and who acquired such an influence over him that the monarch was ultimately asked by his government and his people to choose between abdication and the banishment from the kingdom of his transatlantic dentist and friend.

Almost the first appointment made to the household of the children of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall, and which was gazetted as such, was that of a "dental surgeon to their royal highnesses," while Don Carlos of Spain uses nothing but artificial teeth, having caused all the others to be extracted when visiting the United States in 1876.

From this it would be seen that royalty, far from being exempt from this particular form of human ill, is perhaps rather more prone thereto than the average people of less exalted rank.

quests to charity the following clause in the will was read:

"I give, bequeath and devise unto my daughter Jane the sum of \$5, in order that she may purchase some strongly-written tract on filial obedience."

Mutton Fat.

Most of the odor of roasting lamb and much of the strong flavor of mutton may be avoided by asking the butcher to remove every particle of outside fat as well as the transparent tissue covering the shoulder or leg. It is that absorbs the flavor from the wool and gives the taste so disagreeable to most people. All first class butchers will [illegible] when dressing the meat.

Vigorous, but Polite.

Wealthy Patient—What [illegible] for amputating my [illegible]

Eminent Surgeon—[illegible] dollars, sir.

Wealthy Patient—[illegible] That's a brave [illegible] never [illegible]

Vicissitudes of a Secret.

Ella—Bella [illegible] that secret [illegible]

Stella—She's [illegible] not to tell you [illegible]

Ella—Well, [illegible] you she told [illegible]

A HAPPY DELIVERANCE FROM THE PANGS OF RHEUMATISM.

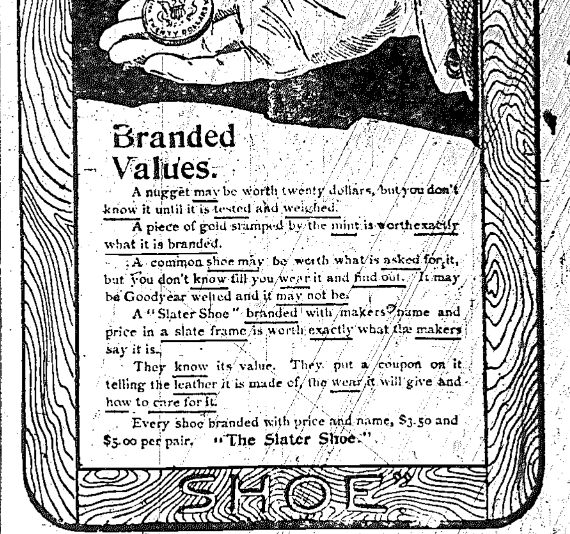
Paine's Celery Compound

EFFECTS A CURE AFTER FAILURES OF PHYSICIANS, PATENT MEDICINES AND MEDICINAL SPRINGS.

The Wonderful Victory Over a Terrible Disease Vouched for by One of Our Prominent Druggists.

If you are a sufferer from rheumatism in any of its terrible forms—muscular, inflammatory or sciatic, be assured of the glorious truth that Paine's Celery Compound will work for you a permanent and happy cure. The thousands of letters received from people who have thrown off their burdens and agonies prove conclusively that Paine's Celery Compound is the one great specific for this awful disease. The following letter from Mr. J. Leverington, of Virden, Man., and endorsed by Mr. J. W. Higginbotham, Druggist, of the same town, should convince all sufferers that the immediate use of Paine's Celery Compound is their only hope. Mr. Leverington says:

"For more than a year I was suffering from the agonizing pains of sciatica, and after trying all that medical skill could devise, and using many remedies, patent and otherwise, I concluded to try the Hot Springs at Banff, under the superintendence of a medical man. I took the treatment thoroughly and carefully for six weeks, and came home at the end of that time racked with pain and weighing 43 pounds less. At this juncture, when hope had almost fled, I heard of Paine's Celery Compound. It seemed to suit my case, and I sent to my druggist, Mr. J. W. Higginbotham, of this place, and asked about it. He recommended it to me, and I took a bottle. I soon began to feel better, and after taking the second bottle I was a cured man and threw away my crutches. I have always been a farmer, and am as able to do hard work now as ever I was."



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SITUATED ON SECOND STREET, Rat Portage, with nice lawn and splendid garden in rear. For particulars and terms apply to F. C. Poole, on the premises.

Application to Parliament.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario at its next session for an Act:

1. To confirm and legalize a By-Law of the Municipality of the Town of Rat Portage passed on the 26th day of August, A.D. 1901 entitled "By-Law No. 316 a By-Law to provide for the issue of Debentures of the Town of Rat Portage to the amount of twenty thousand dollars and to raise the sum required therefor for the purpose of making connections in and improving the system of Waterworks therein," a By-Law to raise the sum of twenty thousand dollars by the issue of Debentures for making connections in and improving the system of Waterworks in the said Municipality leviable on all the rateable property in the Centre, North and South Wards of the said Municipality.

2. Conferring on the said Municipality of the Town of Rat Portage power to take over the Electric Light System and Undertaking and Plant of the Citizens' Telephone and Electric Company of the Town of Rat Portage under the provisions of "The Municipal Act" and amendments thereto or otherwise.

ALLAN McLENNAN,
Solicitor for the Town of Rat Portage.
Dated at Rat Portage,
January 7th, 1902.

For Wintry Weather...

THE keenly cold weather reminds you, if you have delayed giving us your order, that you can't delay it any longer. We have the Largest and Choicest Stock of Imported Woollens of any house in the town of Rat Portage, and intend selling at a Reduction during the next six weeks to make room for our Spring Goods.

Hall's For Fine Tailoring

MAIN STREET.

Freighters Wanted

FREIGHTERS WANTED—To haul 2 stamp mill (about 75 tons) from Dinorwic, Ont., 25 miles south, to our gold mines on Manitou lake. Hauling to begin Feb. 15, 1902, delivery must be accomplished April 1st, 1902. Address bids to The Twentieth Century Mining Co., Ltd., Dinorwic, Ont.